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Applicant : Oswin Öttinger et al.
Applic. No. : 10/006,418
Filed : December 7, 2001
Title : Impregnated Bodies Made of Expanded Graphite, Process for Producing Such Bodies and Sealing Elements, Fuel Cell Components and Heat-Conducting Elements Formed of the Bodies
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(C)(1)

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent No. 3,573,122 (Olstowski et al.), dated March 30, 1971;

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Anonymous: "GRAFTECH Material Safety Data Sheet", XP-002231629, 4 pp.;

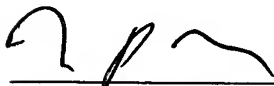
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European Search Report dated February 20, 2003.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (c) (1), consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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